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BOROUGH OF FAVERSHAM.

# ANNUAL REPORTS

OF

## CHARLES J. EVERS, M.D.,

*Medical Officer of Health,*

AND

## GEORGE G. CULMER,

*Sanitary Inspector,*

FOR THE

**Year Ending 31st December, 1939.**

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## MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

## For the Year 1939.

To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors of the

BOROUGH OF FAVERSHAM

I have now the honour to submit to you my Annual Report for 1939 on the Health Conditions of the Borough: there are no special features to comment upon: the amount of Infectious Disease was small: the usual epidemic of Influenza appeared in the spring: it was rather more severe than in 1938 and caused 8 deaths.

### PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

The same officials are carrying on: with the addition of an additional Sanitary Inspector with full qualifications who was appointed in July last.

### NATURE AND CONDITION OF THE AREA

Area of the District in acres: 3,070
Population: Census, 1931, 10,030. Estimated for 1939 (middle) 12,090

### PHYSICAL FEATURES AND GENERAL CHARACTER OF THE AREA

These remain unchanged.

The draining and lighting of the roads in the area added to the Borough are now completed.

The traffic in the Creek has been interfered with by the war to some extent especially that from abroad.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Number of inhabited houses, 1939 (end of) | ... | 3,715 |
| Rateable Value of the Borough | ... | £69,531/0/0 |
| Sum represented by a penny rate | ... | £273/1/7½ |

# VITAL STATISTICS

## BIRTHS

There were 143 live births registered during the year—66 males and 77 females. This gives a Birth-rate of 11.8 per 1,000 of estimated population—the average of England and Wales being 15.0. This is less than in 1938 when the total number was 167. There was 1 illegitimate birth (Boys 0 Girls 1) none of these children died There were 4 still births registered: 2 male and 2 female: none of these were illegitimate children

## DEATHS

The number actually registered was 206. From this must be deducted the deaths of 56 persons who belonged to other districts: on the other side we must add 22 deaths in other districts that must be ascribed to this district, as follows:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Chartham Mental Hospital ... ... ... | 2 |
| Canterbury Hospital... ... ... ... | 8 |
| Other Hospitals ... ... ... ... | 3 |
| Other Districts .. ... ... ... | 7 |
| Keycol Hill Hospital ... ... ... | 2 |
| | 22 |

There were 104 deaths in Public Institutions in the district:—82 in Bensted House, 14 in the Cottage Hospital and 8 in the Nursing Home. There were 4 deaths of children under one year of age, and 132 of persons of the age of 65 and upwards.

The result is a net total of 172 deaths. This gives for the Borough a Death-rate for the year 1939 of 17.0 which is above the average for the whole kingdom which is given as 12.1.

## INFANTILE MORTALITY.

The number of deaths under one year of age was 4 (2 Males and 2 Females), as against 10 in the previous year. This gives a ratio of 28 per 1,000 births, against 64 in 1938. The average for the whole country is 50.

No illegitimate infants died during the year.

### CAUSES OF INFANTILE DEATHS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Broncho Pneumonia ... ... ... | 2 |
| Premature Birth ... ... ... ... | 2 |

| *CAUSES OF DEATH* | 1939 | 1938 |
|---|---|---|
| Enteric Fever ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| Measles ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| Scarlet Fever ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| Diphtheria ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| Whooping Cough .. ... .. | 0 | 0 |
| Influenza .. ... ... ... | 8 | 5 |
| Encephalitis Lethargica ... | 0 | 0 |

| *CAUSES OF DEATH—continued* | 1939 | 1938 |
|---|---|---|
| Cerebro-Spinal Fever ... ... ... | 1 | 0 |
| Pulmonary Tuberculosis ... ... | 6 | 3 |
| Tuberculous Meningitis ... ... | 0 | 1 |
| Other Tuberculous Diseases ... ... | 2 | 0 |
| Cancer ... ... ... ... | 27 | 27 |
| Meningitis ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| Diabetes ... ... ... ... | 4 | 2 |
| Organic Heart Disease ... ... | 41 | 48 |
| Bronchitis ... ... ... ... | 6 | 5 |
| Pneumonia ... ... ... ... | 6 | 4 |
| Other Respiratory Diseases ... ... | 1 | 3 |
| Diarrhoeal Diseases ... ... ... | 1 | 1 |
| Appendicitis ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| Cirrhosis of Liver ... ... ... | 0 | 1 |
| Alcoholism ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| Nephritis ... ... ... ... | 6 | 0 |
| Parturition .. ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| Premature Birth and Congential Causes ... | 1 | 5 |
| Accidents and Suicides ... ... | 7 | 10 |
| Cerebral Haemorrhage... ... ... | 15 | 9 |
| Arterio-sclerosis ... ... ... | 8 | 10 |
| Syphilis ... ... ... ... | 0 | 1 |
| Rheumatic Fever ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| Ulcer of Stomach ... ... ... | 2 | 0 |
| Puerperal Sepsis ... ... .. | 0 | 0 |
| Digestive Diseases ... ... ... | 4 | 2 |
| Senility ... ... ... ... | 14 | 7 |

| | *Total.* | *M.* | *F.* | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Live Births— | | | | |
| Legitimate ... | 142 | 66 | 76 | Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population ... 11.8 |
| Illegitimate ... | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| Stillbirths ... ... | 4 | 2 | 2 | Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births ... ... 28 |
| Deaths ... ... | 172 | 91 | 81 | Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population ... 17.0 |

Deaths from puerperal causes (Headings 29 and 30 of the Registrar General's short list):—

| | Deaths. | Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births. |
|---|---|---|
| No. 29 Puerperal sepsis ... | 0 | — |
| No. 30 Other puerperal causes ... | 0 | — |
| Total ... ... ... | 0 | — |

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age:—

| | |
|---|---|
| All infants per 1,000 live births ... ... ... | 28 |
| Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births ... | 28 |
| Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births ... | — |
| Deaths from Cancer (all ages) ... ... ... | 27 |
| Deaths from Measles (all ages) ... ... ... | 0 |
| Deaths from Whooping Cough ... .. ... | 0 |
| Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) ... ... | 1 |

## COTTAGE HOSPITAL

Beds, 18.

| | |
|---|---|
| In-Patients Treated ... ... ... ... | 214 |
| Out-Patients Treated (Minor Cases) ... ... | 320 |
| Operations— | |
| Major ... ... ... ... ... | 79 |
| Minor ... ... ... ... ... | 155 |
| X-Ray Cases ... ... ... ... | 204 |

There is also a Provident Dispensary which arranges for the treatment of poor people in their own homes.

## HEALTH SERVICES

These are the same as in previous Reports.

## AMBULANCE FACILITIES

The Ambulance Service has been maintained at its usual high state of efficiency. Two Ambulances have been in practically daily use throughout the year, having travelled just on 6,000 miles in transporting 366 sick patients, and attending 48 accidents.

Many minor accidents not necessitating transport have been attended by Brigade Members.

The Personnel have given an immense amount of time to Civil Defence work, which, as during the past two or three years, is additional to their usual activities.

The Units of the Brigade are:—

Ambulance Division for Men.
Nursing Division for Women.
Cadet Nursing Division for Girls.

## MATERNITY AND NURSING HOMES.

There is one private Nursing Home in the Borough, which is licensed for the reception of Maternity Cases.

## MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE CENTRE

This has been established for some years and is held at the Queen's Hall twice a week, having been open 102 days. 556 children are in regular attendance. An aggregate of 5190 attendances have been made.

An Antenatal Clinic is held on Tuesdays and has had a total of 48 attendances, and was open 11 times.

In addition to their Transport work, the members of the Nursing Division have made numerous attendances at the Hospital and the various School, Welfare and Maternity Clinics throughout the year.

## TREATMENT CASES AND HOME NURSING

These remain as before.

## LOCAL ACTS, ADOPTIVE ACTS AND BYELAWS

No alteration.

## WATER SUPPLY

As in my last Report.

Samples taken—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Chemical Analysis. | Public Supply | ... | 3 |
| | Wells ... | ... | 2 |
| Bacteriological Tests. | Public Supply | ... | 6 |

All with satisfactory results

## SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The sewerage and sewage disposal arrangements are as in my last report: of the districts incorporated in the enlargement of the Borough, the Brents, Davington and Ospringe are now provided with sewers and connections to the drainage system are proceeding as occasion offers: Brogdale Road, Ashford Road and Preston Village are as yet undealt with.

The conversion of Privies into Water Closets with flushing cisterns is proceeding also.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Number of Houses in the Borough | ... | ... | 3715 |
| Number of Freshwater Closets | ... | ... | 3592 |
| Number of Privies (movable receptacles) | | ... | 113 |
| Number of Privies (fixed receptacles) | ... | ... | 10 |
| Conversions into Water Closets | ... | ... | 6 |

## HOUSE REFUSE AND SCAVENGING

Same as last year.

## OFFENSIVE TRADES

None.

## HOME WORKERS

Very little: two lists of out-workers sent in.

## COMMON LODGING HOUSES

As before.

## FACTORIES

Number of premises on the Register:—

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Factories with power | ... | ... | ... | 50 |
| Factories without power | ... | ... | ... | 42 |
| | | | | 92 |

This is a decrease on last year's total.

The occupations carried on in these places show no change from previous reports.

These have all been regularly inspected and kept up to a proper standard of cleanliness and ventilation, and provision of proper sanitary conveniences, and overcrowding has been prevented.

## SCHOOLS

The five Schools in the Borough remain as before in their situations and sanitary arrangements: a small portion of their accommodation was used to assist in the education of evacuated Secondary School children.

## MEDICAL INSPECTION AND TREATMENT

Regular inspection as required by the Board of Education has been carried out on the children entering school, and also at the ages of 8 and 13. Re-examinations and special examinations have also been made as necessary, the total number of children examined amounting to 1071.

The School Clinics and their arrangements have been continued throughout the year on the same lines as previously.

Statistics of work done—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Tonsils and Adenoids. | Operated on ... ... | 13 |
| Eye cases. | Examinations ... ... ... | 45 |
| | Re-examinations ... ... ... | 32 |
| Glasses Prescribed | ... ... ... | 74 |
| Glasses Repaired ... | ... ... ... | 7 |
| Dental Treatment. | Children ... ... ... | 521 |
| | Sessions ... ... ... | 151 |
| | Attendances ... ... | 935 |
| | Extractions ... ... | 1056 |
| | Fillings .. ... ... | 585 |
| | General Anaesthetics ... | 404 |
| Orthopaedic Scheme. | Cases ... ... ... | 5 |
| Minor Ailments Clinic. | Sessions ... ... | 293 |
| | Children Treated ... | 493 |
| | Attendances ... ... | 3131 |
| Visits by School Nurse | ... ... ... | 289 |

## SUPPLY OF MILK

This has been carried on during the year on the same lines as before.

## NUTRITION

A Nutrition Survey has been established and records kept of under nourished children; the results up to date are very encouraging.

A.R.P. Shelters have been provided.

## EVACUEES

When war broke out 324 Elementary School children were sent to Faversham: they and their teachers being gradually absorbed into our Schools.

From the first they were afforded the full benefits of the Medical and Nursing Services and the Clinics as follows:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Minor Ailments | ... ... ... | 47 Children |
| Dental Clinic | ... ... ... | 21 ,, |
| Dental Inspection | ... ... ... | 21 ,, |
| Ophthalmic | ... ... ... | 3 ,, |

## HOUSING

See Sanitary Inspector's Report.

## MILK SUPPLY

The milk supply of the Borough was formerly obtained chiefly from outside its boundaries, but the enlargement of the area has now included some of these sources within the Borough itself: we have now:

| | |
|---|---|
| Producers of Milk ... ... ... ... | 6 |
| Retail Purveyors ... ... ... ... | 13 |
| Registered Premises... ... ... ... | 16 |
| Samples sent for examination ... ... ... | 24 |

All with satisfactory results.

## SLAUGHTERHOUSES

There are 8 in the Borough.

Details of Meat Inspection are given in the Sanitary Inspector's Report.

## BAKEHOUSES

No change from last Report.

## RAG FLOCK ACTS AND FOOD AND DRUGS ACT

Same conditions as in 1938.

## WORKING OF SHOPS ACT, 1934

I beg to report on work done in the period 1st January—31st December, 1939.

Of a total of 381 occupied shops in the Borough of Faversham on the latter date, assistants were employed in 176, all of which were inspected during the year.

*Sub-section (1) (b.)*

Ten occupiers were cautioned formally in December for failure to maintain a reasonable temperature and compliance was obtained without proceedings being taken.

H. G. FARNDON,

Inspector.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASE

The amount of Influenza during the past year has been large and widespread and of a moderately severe type 8 deaths have been attributed to it: with one exception no disease has developed into an epidemic: the total number of notifications is less than in 1938, viz:—59 as against 68.

Of Pneumonia there were 6 deaths registered: 2 of these being infants: 6 deaths were from Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

The one epidemic was due to German Measles which was very widespread during the latter half of the year and was confined to no particular age or condition: fortunately not a serious complaint, but causing a lot of trouble and interference with school attendance.

Our arrangements for dealing with infection are the same as previously.

Specimens sent to County Laboratory:—

| | | Positive | Negative |
|---|---|---|---|
| Diphtheria ... ... | 74 | 9 | 65 |
| Tuberculosis ... ... | 76 | 5 | 71 |
| Typhoid ... .. | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Strept Haemolytic ... | 22 | 14 | 8 |
| | 174 | 28 | 146 |

There were 59 cases of infectious disease notified under all headings in 1939 as against 68 in 1938. Of these, 33 cases were removed to Isolation Hospitals. These are classified as follows:—

| | *Notified* | | *Removed to Hospital* | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1938 | 1939 | 1938 | 1939 |
| Diphtheria ... ... | 10 | 9 | 10 | 9 |
| Erysipelas ... ... | 4 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Scarlet Fever ... ... | 28 | 11 | 26 | 11 |
| Enteric Fever ... ... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia ... | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Anterior Polio Myelitis ... | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Cerebral-spinal Fever ... | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Ophthalmia, Neonatorum ... | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Tuberculosis, Pulmonary .. | M.6 | M.7 | M.4 | M.0 |
| Tuberculosis, Pulmonary ... | F.6 | F.7 | F.4 | F.0 |
| Tuberculosis, other forms ... | M.4 | M.0 | M.4 | M.3 |
| Tuberculosis, other forms ... | F.3 | F.2 | F.1 | F.3 |
| Pneumonia ... ... | 4 | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| Measles .. ... | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Whooping Cough ... | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| | 68 | 59 | 51 | 33 |

There were 6 deaths from Pneumonia and 4 deaths certified from Pulmonary Tuberculosis. I received during the year 17 notifications under Form C, and 14 under Form D.

No action has had to be taken under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925, or under the Public Health Act, 1925, Section 62.

No case of Tuberculosis has been found not to be notified: it has not been found necessary to take any action in this direction: no action has been taken for disinfestation of Bugs.

## Ophthalmic Neonatorum—Cases

| Notified | Treated at Home | Treated in Hospital | Vision Unimpaired | Vision Impaired | Blind | Deaths |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

## Age Groups—Cases

| | Under 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 35 | 45 | 65+ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Diphtheria ... ... | | | | | | 4 | 2 | | 2 | | 1 | |
| Scarlet Fever ... | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | | | | |
| Enteric Fever ... | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Puerperal Fever ... | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Pneumonia ... ... | | | | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | |
| Erysipelas ... ... | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Cerebro Spinal Meningitis ... | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| Polio Myelitis ... | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | |

## Deaths

| | |
|---|---|
| Pneumonia ... ... | 9 |
| Erysipelas ... ... | 1 |
| Ant Polio Myelitis ... | 1 |

## Tuberculosis—New Cases and Mortality during 1939.

| Age Periods | New Cases | | | | Deaths | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Respiratory | | Non-Respiratory | | Respiratory | | Non-Respiratory | |
| | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. |
| 0 ... ... ... | | | | | | | | |
| 1 ... ... ... | | | | | | | | |
| 5 ... ... ... | | | | | | | | |
| 10 ... ... ... | | | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 |
| 15 ... ... ... | | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| 20 ... ... ... | | | | | | | | |
| 25 ... ... ... | | 2 | | | | 1 | | |
| 35 ... ... .. | 4 | 2 | | 1 | 2 | | | 1 |
| 45 ... ... ... | 2 | | | | | | | |
| 55 ... ... ... | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | | |
| 65 and upwards ... | | | | | | | | |
| Totals ... | 7 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 |

Number of cases on Tuberculosis Register at end of 1939:—

| | M. | F. |
|---|---|---|
| Pulmonary ... ... | 18 | 32 |
| Non-Pulmonary ... ... | 7 | 20 |

Porportion of non-notified Tuberculous Deaths to total: Nil.

## EVACUATION

At the outbreak of war a number of evacuees were received in this district from the Medway Towns Area.

The total number arriving in the Borough was 1016: consisting of Secondary School Children, Elementary School Children, Teachers and Helpers.

Of these 324 attended the various elementary Schools : arrangements were in due course made for their absorption into our Schools and the continuance of their Education: the same conditions prevailed in the Secondary Schools.

Shortly after their arrival 5 cases of Diphtheria were discovered and isolated in Hospital: apart from this no trouble in this respect was experienced: among the children several cases of enuresis, impetigo and a few verminous: these were promptly dealt with: chiefly at the School Clinic.

## INSPECTION

During the year I have made routine inspections of the various premises that come under my powers, and special visits as occasion arose.

| | |
|---|---|
| Unfit Houses .. ... ... ... | 29 |
| Factories ... ... ... ... | 58 |
| Bakehouses ... ... ... ... | 14 |
| Slaughterhouses ... ... ... ... | 8 |
| Fish Shops ... ... ... ... | 5 |
| Dairies ... .. ... .. | 21 |
| Drainage ... ... ... ... | 18 |
| Common Lodging Houses ... .. ... | 2 |
| Various ... ... ... ... | 41 |
| | 196 |

Included in the duties of the M.O.H. has been the preparation and administration of the First Aid Post at the Mount: this Post has been completed and for a long time has been ready for any emergency and has been inspected by government officials and received high commendation.

The Cottage Hospital has also been placed in readiness to receive casualties, should such necessity unfortunately arise.

The details of the various premises to be inspected and the work done in connection therewith are set out fully in the report of the Sanitary Inspector and it is therefore unnecessary for me to recapitulate them.

In concluding my Report I have to acknowledge the consideration always shown to me by the Council and valuable help received from my brother officials.

CHARLES J. EVERS, M.D.,

Medical Officer of Health.

October, 1940.

## BOROUGH OF FAVERSHAM.

# SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT

FOR THE

# Year Ending December 31st, 1939.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough.

Your Worship and Gentlemen,

The Minister of Health has intimated that reports for 1939, shall contain only essential matters. The following brief report is submitted covering the principal items of Sanitary Inspector's work during the year.

## HOUSING.

Representations were made under Sect. 11 of the Housing Act 1936 in respect of 18 houses, viz:—2 at Whitings Square, 5 at Partridge Place, 2 at Water Lane, 1 at North Lane, 7 at Tanner's Street and 1 at the Brents.

Demolition Orders were made on the Whitings Square and Partridge Place cottages, while undertakings have been given in respect of Water Lane and North Lane, two of which are still occupied. The consideration of the remainder was adjourned on account of war conditions.

Under the Regulations 171 houses were inspected and the necessary records made. Of this number 64 were found not in all respects fit and notices sent to the Owners for defects to be remedied.

It was necessary to serve 4 Statutory Notices under the Housing Act and 43 under various sections of the Public Health Act to secure compliance with the Acts.

In connection with 30 notices the Council carried out the work in default of the Owners. The provision of flushing cisterns to existing closets is proceeding slowly.

The Council are proceeding with the scheme for 42 houses in Lower Road, some of which are completed and occupied.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The usual enquiries were made in connection with notified cases and 70 rooms disinfected for necessary reasons.

## WATER SUPPLY

Five samples of water were submitted to the County Analyst for chemical examination, including three from the Public Supply. The reports received shew the water to be of good or excellent organic quality.

In addition six samples were taken from the Public Supply for bacteriological examination. All the samples shewed "B Coli absent in 100 c.c's therefore good water.

## SLAUGHTERHOUSES

There are eight slaughterhouses in the Borough which from October became subject to the requirements of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938. Owing to war conditions centralised slaughtering will come into operation in January and the work concentrated in one of the premises.

## MEAT REGULATIONS

The particulars of work under the regulations summarised for the year are:—

Animals inspected:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Beasts ... ... ... ... | 512 |
| Cows ... ... ... ... | 450 |
| Sheep ... ... ... ... | 8574 |
| Pigs... ... ... ... ... | 4494 |
| Calves ... ... ... ... | 991 |
| | 15021 |

1241 notices of slaughter were received and 1645 inspections made to the Cattle Market and Slaughterhouses, while 385 inspections were made to meat, fish and other food shops.

The total amount of meat and organs surrendered on account of disease and unsound conditions was 16614 lbs, other food inspections resulted in the surrender of 231 lbs. of dogfish which arrived here in a state of decomposition making a total weight of food surrendered at 16845 lbs. over 7½ tons.

The number of animals found wholly or partly diseased was 431, while 78% of the total weight of meat and organs surrendered was on account of tuberculosis.

It should be noted that a large proportion of the surrendered meat was from cows of all ages. The trade in cow beef has considerably increased during the past year, some of which is distributed wholesale to other butchers, while a quantity is used by bakers for so-called "steak pies." Many of these animals are not insurable against loss.

The following is a summary of the work:—

| | Cattle excluding Cows | Cows | Calves | Sheep and Lambs | Pigs |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number killed (if known) ... ... | — | — | — | — | — |
| Number inspected ... .. ... | 512 | 450 | 991 | 8574 | 4494 |
| *All Diseases except Tuberculosis.* | | | | | |
| Whole carcases condemned ... ... | — | — | 1 | 12 | 2 |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ... ... | 41 | 69 | — | 51 | 60 |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis ... ... | 8.008 | 15.33 | 0.101 | 0.733 | 1.379 |
| *Tuberculosis only.* | | | | | |
| Whole carcases condemned ... ... | — | 13 | 1 | — | 4 |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ... ... | 29 | 80 | 1 | — | 67 |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis .. | 5.66 | 20.66 | 0.202 | — | 1.579 |

The whole of the unsound food was voluntary surrendered without formal seizure and the necessary certificates given.

## COWSHEDS AND DAIRIES

The following are on the register:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Producers ... ... ... ... | 6 |
| Retail Purveyors ... ... ... ... | 13 |
| Registered Premises ... .. ... | 16 |

123 inspections were made.

The samples of milk taken during the year comprised:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Pasteurised ... ... ... ... | 5 |
| Accredited ... ... ... ... | 16 |
| P.A. Institution ... ... ... ... | 3 |
| Schools ... .. ... ... | 3 |
| | 27 |

These complied with the prescribed conditions.

## FACTORIES

The following premises are on the register:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Factories (with power) ... ... ... | 50 |
| Factories (without power) ... ... ... | 42 |
| | 92 |

7 retail bakehouses and 5 factory bakehouses are included in these figures.

97 inspections were made and four nuisances found.

Two lists of outworkers were received and entered in the register.

Defects and Nuisances dealt with under the Public Health Act and Housing Acts:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Choked and defective drains ... ... ... | 39 |
| Defective and insufficient closets ... ... | 142 |
| New cisterns provided to closets ... ... | 134 |
| Insufficient water supply ... ... ... | 59 |
| No sinks ... ... ... ... | 28 |
| Insanitary sinks and waste pipes ... ... | 31 |
| Defective roofs and gutters ... ... ... | 57 |
| Damp walls ... ... ... ... | 27 |
| Overflowing cesspools ... ... ... | 8 |
| Defective windows ... ... ... | 23 |
| Defective floors ... ... ... ... | 7 |
| Defectice paving to yard ... ... ... | 21 |
| Defective chimneys, stoves and coppers ... ... | 26 |
| Defective doors and frames ... ... ... | 9 |
| Defective ceilings ... ... ... ... | 8 |
| Limewashing overdue ... ... ... | 2 |
| Various ... ... ... ... | 24 |
| Total ... | 645 |

## INSPECTIONS

| | |
|---|---|
| Housing Regulations ... ... ... | 178 |
| Premises, Drains, Dustbins .. ... ... | 553 |
| Infectious Diseases ... ... ... | 85 |
| Slaughterhouses and Cattle Market ... ... | 1645 |
| Fish, Fruit and Meat Shops, Markets ... ... | 385 |
| Stables ... ... ... ... | 15 |
| Cowsheds and Dairies ... ... ... | 123 |
| Factories (including Bakehouses) ... ... | 97 |
| Common Lodging Houses . ... ... | 22 |
| Reinspections, Unfit Houses, Hop Huts, etc. ... | 831 |
| Total ... | 3934 |

## DEFECTS AND NUISANCES FOUND

| | |
|---|---|
| During inspection of houses, etc. ... ... | 641 |
| Factories ... ... ... ... | 4 |
| Total ... | 645 |

## ACTION TAKEN

| | |
|---|---|
| Informal notices served ... ... ... | 284 |
| Statutory notices P.H. Acts ... ... ... | 43 |
| Statutory notices Housing Acts ... ... | 4 |
| Total ... | 331 |

## RESULTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Defects and nuisances remedied including those outstanding December 31st, 1939 ... ... | 648 |
| Defects and nuisances outstanding December 31st, 1939 ... ... ... ... | 39 |
| Total ... | 687 |

No legal proceedings were taken during the year.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

GEORGE G. CULMER,

M.R.San.Inst., M.S.I.A.

Sanitary Inspector.

West Street, Faversham.

23rd January, 1940.